MASSACHUSETTS BAY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY
TRANSPORTATION BUILDING
l0 PARK PLAZA
BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02116-3975

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed bids for M.B.T.A. Contract No U71CN01, **READVILLE MANOR NOISE WALL,** Dedham, Massachusetts (Class 1 - General Transit Construction), Project Value $1,785,600.00), will be received by the Director of Contract Administration, at the Contract Administration Office, 5th floor, Room 5610, Transportation Building, l0 Park Plaza, Boston, Massachusetts 02ll6-3975 until two o'clock (2:00 P.M.) on **July 28, 2004**. Immediately thereafter, in a designated room, the Bids will be opened and read publicly.

The work consists of providing and installation of a new ±1500 linear foot precast concrete sound absorptive noise barrier at the Readville Manor area of Dedham along the Northeast Corridor Rail Line. Work shall include clearing and grubbing of existing right-of-way area, modifications to existing chain link fence, modifications to drainage and electrical utilities, drilled caissons for foundation footings, installation of new noise barrier and new plantings, seeding and sodding, and other site restoration.

Each prospective bidder proposing to bid on this Project must be prequalified in accordance with the Authority's "Procedures Governing Classification and Rating of Prospective Bidders." Copies may be obtained from the Contract Administration Office at the above address. Requests for prequalification of this Project will not be accepted by the Authority after the tenth (10th) day preceding the date set for the opening of bids.

Prequalified bidders may obtain from the Contract Administration Office a "Request for Bid Form" which must be properly filled out and submitted for approval.

Bidding documents may be obtained from the Contract Administration Office at the address above from 8:30 A.M. to 4:00 P.M., after **July 6, 2004**, Monday through Friday at a charge of $50.00 per set. The Authority's STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS, BIDDING AND CONTRACT REQUIREMENTS AND DIVISION 1 - GENERAL REQUIREMENTS, dated November 1983, is available at a charge of $5.00 per copy. The Authority's STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS, CONSTRUCTION, dated January, l980, is available at a charge of $l5.00 per copy. Bidding documents will be sent upon request and receipt of an additional fee of fifteen dollars ($15.00), payable by separate check. Bidding documents will be forwarded by Air Freight, where such service is available, at the expense of the plan holder. NONE OF THESE CHARGES IS REFUNDABLE.

Bidders attention is directed to Appendix 1, Notice of Requirement for Affirmative Action to Insure Equal Employment Opportunity; and to Appendix 2, Supplemental Equal Employment Opportunity, Anti-Discrimination, and Affirmative Action Program in the specifications.

Bidders will affirmatively ensure that in regard to any contract entered into pursuant to this solicitation, minority and female construction contractors will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, religion, sex, age, or national origin in consideration for an award.

Bidders will be required to comply with Federal Equal Employment Opportunity Regulations and the President's Executive Order No. 11246 and any amendments or supplements thereto.

Authorization for the Bidders to view the site of the work on the MBTA's property shall be obtained from the office of the Project Manager, Mr. Francis E. Kelley, 500 Arborway, Jamaica Plain, MA 02130, telephone (617) 222-5233.. The Authority will conduct an inspection tour of the site on **July 15, 2004**. Bidders are requested to be present at the end of Sherman Road in Dedham Massachusetts, next to the Northeast Corridor, at 10:00 AM to participate in the tour. Bidders are advised that they should have representation at this tour as no extra visits are planned

A prebid conference will be held on July 14, 2004 at 10:30 a.m. at the office of the Project Manager, Mr. Francis E. Kelley, 500 Arborway, Jamaica Plain, MA 02130. Any request for interpretation of plans and specifications should be submitted in writing at the same time.

Bidders will be required to certify as part of their Bids that they are able to furnish labor that can work in harmony with all other elements of labor employed or to be employed on the work.

This Contract is subject to minimum State wage rates as well as all other applicable labor laws.

Bid guaranty shall consist of a bid deposit in the amount of five (5) percent of the value of the bid in the form of a bid bond, cash, certified check, treasurer's or cashier's check.

The successful bidder shall be required to furnish a Performance Bond and a Labor and Materials Payment Bond each for the full amount of the Contract price.

The Authority reserves the right to reject any or all Bids, to waive informalities, to advertise for new Bids or proceed to do the work otherwise, as may be deemed to be for the best interests of the Authority.

This information may be viewed at the MBTA website:

http://www.mbta.com/newsinfo/geninfo/projects/contractadmin/solicitations/

Plans and Specifications may also be viewed at the following locations:

Massachusetts Alliance for Small Contractors
One South Station - 3rd Floor
Boston, MA 02110

Women's Business Enterprise Alliance
P.O. Box 132
385 Blue Hill Drive
Westwood, MA 02090

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Date: **July 5, 2004**

By: Daniel A. Grabauskas
Secretary and MBTA Chairman

Michael H. Mulhern.
General Manager